

it, faxed it back to the Department of Labor in Washington for their review. They have not received a response from them as of this moment, but my feeling is that the amendment is fine. It deals with two of the issues. If there is a concern raised by the federal government, we can readdress those concerns on Select File. So I'm going to be supporting Senator Hall's amendment and I think that's what we can turn to at this moment.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Hall would move to amend with AMO318. (See page 691 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Hall, on your amendment.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members, the amendment that you have in front of you that we passed out is AMO318. It deals with subsection 6 in Section 1 of LB 240. It is found on page 4 of the green copy. It's the substantive change in the bill. The provisions of LB 240 are that it would add to the list of requirements that the Department of Labor could put in place for purposes of an individual being able to collect their unemployment benefits. Specifically, what it does is it says that the individual could be required to partake in reemployment services as directed by the commissioner. It also goes on to say that there will be a profiling system established by the commissioner for purposes of determining who would have to go through these types of reemployment services. It does not mean that everyone will have to do that. There will be a criteria, a profile set up. If an individual meets that profile, they very likely will then be required to go through reemployment services, depending on other circumstances, and it is an additional requirement that not everyone will have to meet. I understand the purpose behind it, but I do believe that there needs to be a couple of safeguards in there. That's all the amendment does. The amendment says that if you're going to require those reemployment services, they should be at no cost to the individual. So in other words, if you've got an individual who is on unemployment anyway, they should not be required in order to receive that unemployment, be forced to go through reemployment services and then have to pay for those on top of that. So it says that it shall be at no cost to such individual. You then go down to line 16 and after the "by" that's there, insert "rule and regulations". So line 16 would read, to a profiling system established by rule and regulation